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A method for preparing a graphite nanofiber is herein provided, which comprises a supplying raw gases ~~are supplied on the~~ onto a surface of a substrate provided thereon with a catalyst layer for the growth of graphite nanofibers according to the CVD technique, ~~wherein the method is characterized by~~ The method includes forming a catalyst layer having a desired thickness on the surface of the substrate. ~~and then forming, on the catalyst layer of the substrate, a~~ A graphite nanofiber whose ~~deposited layer having a controlled overall thickness is controlled~~ formed on the catalyst layer and nanofiber includes ~~and which comprises~~ a graphite nanofiber layer and a non-fibrous layer. The resulting graphite nanofibers can be used in an emitter or a field emission display element. ~~The thickness of the catalyst layer formed on a substrate is controlled by the method and this in turn permits the control of the thickness of the non-fibrous layer formed on the catalyst layer and the control of the thickness of the graphite nanofibers likewise formed on the catalyst layer.~~